

Michael F. Easley Governor

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GOV. EASLEY REAPPOINTS BARNHILL AND STEIN TO THE COMMISSION ON CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS

Raleigh - Gov. Mike Easley has reappointed L. Jarrett Barnhill of Hillsborough and Mark R. Stein of Chapel Hill to the Commission on Children with Special Health Care Needs.

Barnhill has been a commission member since 2002. He is a professor of psychiatry and director of the Developmental Neuropharmacology Clinic at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine. He is also a consultant at Dorothea Dix Hospital, a psychiatric consultant at UNC Epilepsy Surgery Service and a neuropsychiatric consultant for Autism Services, the Murdoch Center in Butner and the N.C. Department of Human Resources. Barnhill received his bachelor's degree from UNC Chapel Hill and his medical degree from Bowman Gray School of Medicine.

Stein has been a commission member since 1998. He is a licensed psychologist and works as a program director for the Adolescent Treatment Program at Dorothea Dix Hospital. He is a member of the American Psychological Association, where he received the Kark F. Heiser Presidential Award for Advocacy, and the N.C. Psychological Association. Stein received his bachelor's degree from University of Chicago and his doctorate from Duke University.

The commission is responsible for monitoring and evaluating the availability and provision of health services to special needs children under the Health Insurance Program for Children in North Carolina. There are eight members on the commission, each serving a two-year term. The governor appoints all members.